

APPENDIX H: GLOSSARY | ĀPITI HANGA H: KUPUTAKA

abstraction reach means the area between the Headworks and the Power Station tailrace.

AEE means the assessment of environmental effects contained in Part B of the Application.

AEP means annual exceedance probability.

AMP means the Avifauna Management Plan.

Applicant or Westpower means Westpower Ltd.

Application or **Substantive Application** means the document titled "Westpower Limited Waitaha Hydro Project: An Application made under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024" dated 8 August 2025, including all technical assessments and supporting reports.

Area 1 means Area 1 as shown on Figure 2 in Part B of this Decision.

Area 2 means Area 2 as shown on Figure 2 in Part B of this Decision.

Area 3 means Area 3 as shown on Figure 2 in Part B of this Decision.

Area 4 means Area 4 as shown on Figure 2 in Part B of this Decision.

Bat Roost Protocols means the DOC Protocols for minimising the risk of felling occupied bat roosts, October 2024.

BMP means the Bat Management Plan.

CBD means the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity.

CEMP means the Construction Environment Management Plan.

CFD means computational flow dynamic (modelling).

CGP means the Conservation General Policy 2005.

cl. or **cls.** means clause or clauses respectively.

CMS means the West Coast Te Tai o Poutini Conservation Management Strategy 2010-2020.

Cn. or **cns.** means condition or conditions respectively.

Concession(s) mean a lease, licence, easement or other right granted under the Conservation Act permitting the use of land for a certain purpose.

Concession Area means the area of the Project location on land administered by DOC.

Conservation Act means the Conservation Act 1987.

Conservation Board means West Coast Tai Poutini Conservation Board.

Construction Staging Area means the areas developed prior to or during Construction and used for plant, materials and equipment laydown, construction contractor and staff offices and amenities, staff parking, helicopter landings and take-offs and other general construction-related activities. Construction Staging Areas within the Project Construction Site include Construction Staging Area 1 (Headworks); Construction Staging Area 2 (Power Station Site); and Construction Staging Area 3 (McLean Farm).

CPI means consumer price index.

CNMP means Construction Noise Management Plan.

CTMP means Construction Traffic Management Plan.

dbh means diameter at breast height.

Decision means this Decision document including all Appendices.

DIS means discretionary activity status under the RMA.

DMP means the Dust Management Plan.

DOC means the Department of Conservation.

DOC Recreation Report means the Recreation Technical Report prepared by DOC and attached as Appendix C2 to its s.51 Report.

DOC s.51 Report or **s.51 Report** means the report DOC prepared and submitted as required by s.51 of the FTAA.

Downstream Flow Modelling Report means AEE, Appendix 31 - Waitaha Hydro Project - Downstream Flow Modelling Report, 4 June 2025.

EPA means the Environmental Protection Authority.

ESCP means the Erosion and Sediment Control Management Plan.

FEMP means the Freshwater Ecology Management Plan.

Fish & Game means the New Zealand Fish and Game Council.

Fisheries Regulations means the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1983.

Fish Passage Guidelines means the New Zealand Fish Passage Guidelines.

Flush MP means the Flushing Management Plan.

FMC means the Federated Mountain Clubs of New Zealand.

FMP means Flight Management Plan.

Freshwater Ecology Report means AEE, Appendix 25 – Assessment of Effects Freshwater Ecology, EOS Ecology, August 2025.

FTAA means the Fast Track Approvals Act 2024.

Game Animal Council means the Game Animal Council of New Zealand.

Geology Report means AEE, Appendix 17 - Geological Feasibility Report, Geotech Consulting Ltd, October 2013.

GHG means greenhouse gas(es).

ha means hectares.

Headworks means the physical structures within the Scheme situated above Morgan Gorge comprising a low-profile weir and intake structure together with an access tunnel portal and access road.

Hydrology Report means AEE, Appendix 18 - Changes to the Natural Environment, Hydrology, July 2025.

IUCN means the International Union for Conservation of Nature.

km means kilometre.

Landscape Report means the Landscape Effects Assessment Report, prepared by James Bentley of Boffa Miskell, 30 July 2025.

Lizard Report means AEE, Appendix 24 - Assessment of Effects Lizards, RMA Ecology Ltd, 27 July 2025.

LizMP means the Lizard Management Plan.

LMP means the Landscape Management Plan.

MALF means the mean annual low flow.

MALF 7-day means the 7-day mean annual low flow.

McLean Farm means Land within the Consent Area located north of, and adjacent to, the true right bank of Macgregor Creek described as LOT 1 DP 339 LOT 2 DP 376096 SECS 1-4 SO 11859 RSEC 1 SO 481569 URAL SECS 933 4047 4023

MfE means Ministry for the Environment.

MOC means the Minister of Conservation.

NC means non-complying activity status under the RMA.

NES means National Environmental Standard.

NES-CS means the Resource Management (National Environmental Standard for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health) Regulations 2011.

NES-F means the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Freshwater) Regulations 2020 as amended in 2025.

Ngāi Tahu Settlement Act means the Ngāi Tahu Claims Settlement Act 1998.

Noise Letter means the Marshall Day Letter, 13 November 2025, Westpower Memorandum #2, Attachment 2B.

Noise Report means AEE, Appendix 20 - Assessment of Noise Effects Report, Marshall Day Acoustics, July 2025.

NPS means National Policy Statement.

NPS-EN means the National Policy Statement for Electricity Networks 2008, as amended in 2025.

NPS-FM means the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2020, as amended in 2025.

NPS-IB means the National Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity 2023, as amended in 2025.

NPS-REG means the National Policy Statement for Renewable Electricity Generation 2011 as amended in 2025.

NPS-UD means the National Policy Statement for Urban Development 2020 as updated in 2022.

NZCA means the New Zealand Conservation Authority.

NZTA means the New Zealand Transport Agency Waka Kotahi.

ONF means outstanding natural feature.

ONL means outstanding natural landscape.

p. or pp. means page or pages respectively.

p.a. means per annum.

Panel or **Expert Panel** means the panel appointed by the Panel Convenor on 30 October 2024 to hear and determine this Application.

Peer Review Reports means the following reports/statements commissioned by the Panel:

- a) Waitaha Hydro Power Review of Intake Engineering and Fish Passage, by Paul Morgan of River & Fish Engineering Solutions Ltd, 26 January 2026;
- b) Statement of Evidence of Dr Jon Tunnicliffe on River Geomorphology, 23 January 2026; and
- c) Recreation Assessment Peer Review: Appendix 28, Waitaha Hydro, by Paul Wilson of Xyst Ltd, 27 January 2026.

Poutini Ngāi Tahu means the joint representative entity for Ngāti Waewae and Ngāti Makaawhio.

Power Station means the physical structures within the Scheme situated immediately adjacent to, and in the vicinity of, the Waitaha River and the lower end of the Tunnels generally comprising the Powerhouse, Tailbay, Tailrace, Switchyard and all ancillary structures.

Power Station Access Road means the vehicle access between the Anderson Road vehicle crossing and the Power Station Site.

Project or **Scheme** means the Waitaha Hydro Scheme and includes all physical resources and activities associated with constructing, operating and maintaining the Scheme and all ancillary structures and activities.

Project Overview Report means AEE, Appendix 3 – Project Overview Report, Part 1, July 2025; and Appendix 4 – Project Overview Report, Part 2, July 2025.

Project Site means all land required to be used for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Project.

Public Safety Report means AEE, Appendix 32 – Public River Safety Following Commissioning, Martin Doyle.

RAQP means the West Coast Regional Air Quality Plan.

RDIS means restricted discretionary status under the RMA.

Recreation Report means AEE, Appendix 28 - Assessment of Environmental Effects Recreation, Rob Greenaway of R&R Consulting, June 2025.

RFI means a request for further information issued by the EPA at the Panel's direction.

RFR means right of first refusal.

RLWP means the West Coast Regional Land and Water Plan.

RMA means the Resource Management Act 1991.

RPS means the West Coast Regional Policy Statement.

RSI means regionally significant infrastructure.

s.51 Report means the report produced by DOC pursuant to s.51 of the FTAA.

Sch. means Schedule or Schedules respectively.

Sediment Report means AEE, Appendix 19 – Assessment of Environmental Effects Sediment, NIWA, July 2025.

SH6 means State Highway 6.

Site means Areas 1 to 4 as shown on Figure 2 of Part B of this Decision.

SMP means Stormwater Management Plan.

SNA means significant natural area.

SOMP means the Site Operations and Maintenance Plan.

SQEP means a suitably qualified and experienced person.

SSC means suspended sediment concentration.

Stream Works means all physical works and in-stream structures undertaken within, and involving the disturbance of, any stream or riverbed excluding riverbed gravel extraction.

Terrestrial Invertebrate Report means AEE, Appendix 23 – Assessment of Environmental Effects Terrestrial Invertebrates, Entecol Ltd, June 2025.

Terrestrial Fauna Report means the Assessment of Effects on Terrestrial Fauna Report, prepared by Rhys Buckingham, July 2025, and as attached to the AEE as Appendix 21.

Traffic Report means AEE, Appendix 30 – Traffic Assessment, Melvin David Sutherland, June 2025.

Transmission Line means the physical structures comprising the electricity transmission infrastructure between the Power Station Site and the existing Waitaha Substation.

TRONT means Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu.

TTPP means the proposed Te Tai Poutini Plan.

Tunnels means all physical structures associated with the water tunnel and the access tunnel included in the Waitaha Hydro Scheme.

Vegetation Report means AEE, Appendix 20 – Vegetation Report, TACCRA Ltd, June 2025.

VMP means the Vegetation Management Plan.

Water Take Regs means the Resource Management (Measurement and Reporting of Water Takes) Regulations 2010.

WCRC means the West Coast Regional Council.

wd means workings days.

WDP means the operative Westland District Plan.

WDC means the Westland District Council.

Whio Report means AEE, Appendix 22 – Whio Blue Duck Report, Sustainability Solutions Ltd, July 2025.

Wildlife Act means the Wildlife Act 1951.

WWNZ means Whitewater NZ Incorporated.